

HIGHEST COURT SUSTAINS VERDICT IN MILLER CASE

Refusal of Supreme Judges to Grant Writ of Certiorari Ends Cause, Celebre.

News was received here yesterday of a final decision rendered by the Supreme Court of the United States in Washington in the case of Alma Miller, administratrix of the estate of E. L. Miller against the Southern Railway. By the decision of the highest court, refusing the appellant corporation a writ of certiorari, the verdict of the United States District Court is confirmed.

The case, which was an unusual one in many respects, has been watched with interest by lawyers and railroad interests since the original verdict was won by the plaintiff in the United States District Court here in 1919. It fixes the liability of a corporation in cases of serious injury or fatal accidents to employees in certain circumstances.

Miller was a carpenter employed on bridge work, when he was accidentally electrocuted. He was working on a trestle over a creek, and he lost his balance and his head fell back upon a signal wire stretched along the track, which was charged with 4,400 volts. His death was instantaneous. His widow brought suit through D. C. Celebre, who later associated with him in the case. Robert H. Bailey, against the Southern Railway. The trial developed unexpected aspects. Thomas R. Gray and the firm of Hutton, Munford, Williams and Anderson represented the railroad.

In a jury trial in the district court, a verdict for the plaintiff was returned in the amount of \$10,000. The jury divided the damages between the widow, who had sued, and the child of Miller, giving the child as much as the plaintiff in the case. It was disclosed in the evidence that Miller and his wife were not living together at the time he was killed, July 17, 1917.

The law restricting liability in such cases on the part of the employing corporation to an amount equivalent to the earning capacity of the victim was finally declared unconstitutional in the argument that followed a motion to set aside the verdict. The damages were set down finally by Judge Wadhams at \$5,000.

An appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals was made, but the decision of the Supreme Court was affirmed. The decision of the Supreme Court, on appeal, to which the petition of the corporation for a writ of certiorari was presented, closed the case.

HEAR BUSINESS TALKS

Speakers Will Discuss Salesmanship and Sales Management at Modern Study of Business.

Salesmanship and Sales Management will be discussed tomorrow at a meeting of the Modern Study of Business Club at 8 o'clock at the Business Men's Club. Four speakers and four alternates are booked for addresses.

L. E. Beams and C. A. Houghgrave will discuss Human Nature. J. S. Sells, Charles P. Hager and James A. Miller will talk on Development of Character and Character in Business. H. C. M. Rice will speak on The Salesman's Future. Responsibility, Cooperation and Friction. H. C. M. Rice and H. E. Bril will discuss The Salesman's Future. His Qualifications and Duties.

CAR MEN MEET AT COLOMBO HALL TO PROTEST CONTRACT

Sessions Are Closed to Public and no Information of Procedure Given Out.

Objectionable clauses in the contract for the two months offered by the Virginia Railway and Power Company for its employees were discussed at a meeting of members of the carmen's union, which is held at the Colombo hall. Two meetings were held in the afternoon and the other in the evening.

Bookman, in charge of affairs for the Richmond branch of the union, which also represents employees of the corporation in Norfolk, Petersburg and Portsmouth, called the meeting.

The clauses under discussion and which are protested by the carmen are a working day of more than six hours in each twenty-four hour period, and a clause which permits the carmen to work on the night shift to get their meals.

Under these conditions, the carmen are known as "night men" and are paid less than the day men. The carmen are known as "night men" and are paid less than the day men.

Citizens' League Meets.

Officers were elected and other important business transacted at the annual meeting of the Citizens' League, which was held last night. The league is a non-partisan organization for the purpose of promoting the welfare of the city.

Hold Hearings in Leesburg.

Members of the Virginia Railway and Power Commission will go to Leesburg tomorrow, Friday and Saturday to hold hearings on the new electric railway between the Dominion Electric Railway and the Virginia Railway and Power Company.

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C. H. HARDWICKE ELECTED

Heads Fireman's Association for the Coming Year—James R. Sheppard Resigns.

Charles W. Hardwicke was elected president of the Fireman's Mutual Aid Association of Richmond at a meeting held Monday night. Mr. Hardwicke was formerly vice-president of the body, which includes in its membership every member of the Fire and Fire Alarm Departments. James R. Sheppard, who has served the association in the capacity of president since its organization eight years ago, tendered his resignation at the meeting, and it was reluctantly accepted.

Richard Gwathmey was named to succeed to the position left open by the resignation of Mr. Hardwicke. Thomas Gresham was elected to fill a vacancy in the board of directors.

Hovitzers to Have Inspection. Annual State Inspection of the Richmond Hovitzers Battery will take place November 15 at 8 o'clock. The officers expect at least seventy-five men to be present in uniform. Saturday evening a public Halloween dance will be given by the Hovitzers in the Grays Armory.

Sold Short Weight Ice, Is Charged. T. W. Joseph, Road and City Bureau of Weights and Measures, Snow, whom he charged with selling short weight ice. According to the bureau, a citizen bought a cake of ice and found it weighed only 10 pounds.

Advertisements received as late as 10 A. M. on Saturday for correct classification.

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By C. A. Voight



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Deaths

VENABLE. The funeral of Mrs. Olga Venable, wife of R. J. Venable, who died Sunday morning, October 24th, at a New Orleans hospital, will be held at 2:30 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, at the First Baptist Church, Grove Avenue and 21st Street, Richmond, Va.

WARREN. The funeral of Captain Harry I. Warren, of the University Hospital at Charlottesville, who died Sunday morning, October 25th, at his home, 1015 North 10th Street, will be held at 2:30 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, at the First Baptist Church, Grove Avenue and 21st Street, Richmond, Va.

EDWARD. The funeral of Mrs. Edward C. Edwards, who died Sunday morning, October 25th, at her home, 1015 North 10th Street, will be held at 2:30 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, at the First Baptist Church, Grove Avenue and 21st Street, Richmond, Va.

PERSONALS

DO NOT TRY ON NEW DRESSES. If you are looking for a new dress, do not try on new dresses. If you are looking for a new dress, do not try on new dresses.

LOST AND FOUND

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